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Secretary of the Army Visits Hawaii, Conducts media availability

WHO: Secretary of the Army, the Honorable John McHugh

WHAT: Press availability, invited media only

WHEN: Monday August 20, 2012, 12:45pm.

WHERE: Richardson Hall, Palm Circle, Fort Shafter, Hawaii

WHY: Secretary of the Army will discuss his recent visit to the U.S. Army

Pacific Exercise Khaan Quest in Mongolia and make an

announcement regarding the command

BACKGROUND: Hon. John McHugh is the 21st Secretary of the Army and is making his third trip to Hawaii in that capacity. McHugh is responsible for all matters relating to the United States Army: manpower, personnel, installations, environmental issues, equipment acquisition, communications, and financial management. The Secretary will have just completed a tour of the U.S. Army Pacific exercise Khaan Quest in Mongolia, and can answer questions regarding the Army's role in the administration's new defense strategic guidance resetting U.S. priorities toward the Asia Pacific region. McHugh's official bio is available at www.army.mil/leaders/sa

MEDIA REQUIREMENT: All attending media will enter the main gate at Fort Shafter (off H-1) and assemble at the security check point parking lot at 12pm. You will be met and then escorted to Richardson Hall. Please insure you and your vehicle have proper and updated documentation. This includes; driver's license, registration, insurance, and safety check.

MEDIA NOTE: Interested media should contact Mr. Jim Guzior, Media Chief, U. S. Army Pacific Public Affairs office at (808) 438-6350 or email at goose.guzior@us.army.mil